

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ A pharmaceutical composition comprising 5 to 20% of an idazoxan salt or of idazoxan hydrate, 10 to 40% of microcrystalline cellulose, 1 to 5% of lubricant, 0.1 to 0.5% of colloidal silica and from 29.5% to 84.8% of lactose, with respect to the total mass.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein the salt is the hydrochloride.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form I characterized by the X-ray diffraction spectrum presented in Figure 1.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form I characterized by an X-ray diffraction spectrum comprising characteristic peaks at approximately 4.0200, 6.6400,

6.9000, 7.0800, 8.0800, 9.0000, 9.9600, 9.9600, 10.8400, 11.7200, 12.1400, 12.3800, 12.9800, 13.3000, 13.5200, 14.9000, 15.0600, 15.2400 and 21.4000 degrees θ .

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form I characterized by an X-ray diffraction spectrum comprising characteristic peaks at approximately 4.0200, 6.6400, 6.9000, 7.0800, 8.0800, 9.0000, 9.9600, 9.9600, 10.8400, 11.7200, 12.1400, 12.3800, 12.9800, 13.3000, 13.5200, 14.9000, 15.0600, 15.2400 and 21.4000 degrees θ and lacking at least one peak at approximately 4.7400, 5.7200, 8.9200, 16.8600 or 18.9000 degrees θ .

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claims ~~3 to 5, in which the~~ 1 or 2, wherein said polymorph of form I is characterized by a differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 207.5 ± 0.2 .

7. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form III characterized by the X-ray diffraction spectrum presented in Figure 3.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form III characterized by

an X-ray diffraction spectrum comprising characteristic peaks at approximately 4.0400, 4.7000, 5.7400, 6.6200, 6.9200, 7.4600, 8.0400, 8.7800, 8.9800, 9.9800, 10.8200, 11.4600, 11.6400, 12.3200, 12.9400, 13.5400, 14.2400, 15.0600, 15.6200 and 16.8400 degrees θ .

9. (**Currently Amended**) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to ~~Claims 7 and 8, in which the~~ claim 7, wherein said polymorph of form III is characterized by a differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 203.8 ± 0.5 .

10. (**Currently Amended**) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form IV characterized by the X-ray diffraction spectrum presented in Figure 4.

11. (**Currently Amended**) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form IV characterized by an X-ray diffraction spectrum comprising characteristic peaks at approximately 4.8000, 5.9000, 6.8400, 7.3200, 8.0800, 8.6600, 9.4600, 9.6800, 11.1600, 11.4000, 11.9000, 12.2200, 12.6800, 13.8400, 14.4200, 14.9800 and 18.1000 degrees θ .

12. (**Currently Amended**) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 or 2, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan is the polymorph of form IV characterized by

an X-ray diffraction spectrum comprising characteristic peaks at approximately 4.8000, 5.9000, 6.8400, 7.3200, 8.0800, 8.6600, 9.4600, 9.6800, 11.1600, 11.4000, 11.9000, 12.2200, 12.6800, 13.8400, 14.4200, 14.9800 and 18.1000 degrees θ and lacking at least one peak at approximately 6.6800, 13.5400, 15.6800, 16.8600 or 18.9000 degrees θ .

13. (~~Currently Amended~~) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to ~~Claims 10 to 12, in which the~~ Claim 10, wherein said polymorph of form IV is characterized by a differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 205.3 ± 0.5 .

14. (~~Currently Amended~~) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan monohydrate is the polymorph of form V characterized by the X-ray diffraction spectrum presented in Figure 5.

15. (~~Currently Amended~~) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan monohydrate is the polymorph of form V characterized by an X-ray diffraction spectrum comprising characteristic peaks at approximately 5.0400, 5.8400, 7.9400, 9.2800, 9.4400, 10.1200, 12.0200, 12.5600, 12.9200, 13.7400, 13.9400, 14.5200, 14.8200, 15.2800, 16.2800 and 16.7400 degrees θ .

16. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan monohydrate is the polymorph of form V characterized by an X-ray diffraction spectrum comprising characteristic peaks at approximately 5.0400, 5.8400, 7.9400, 9.2800, 9.4400, 10.1200, 12.0200, 12.5600, 12.9200, 13.7400, 13.9400, 14.5200, 14.8200, 15.2800, 16.2800 and 16.7400 degrees θ and lacking at least one peak at approximately 4.7400, 6.6800, 7.5000, 8.9200, 11.5200, 14.3000, 15.6800 or 18.9000 degrees θ .

17. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claims 14 to 16, ~~in which the~~ wherein said idazoxan monohydrate polymorph of form V is characterized by a differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 205.6 ± 0.4 .

18. (Currently Amended) ~~Pharmaceutical~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to ~~Claims 1 to 17, in which~~ claim 1 or 2, wherein the lubricant is glyceryl behenate.

19. (Currently Amended) ~~Composition~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claims 1 to 18, which is provided claim 1 or 2, said composition is in a form suitable for oral administration.

20. (Currently Amended) ~~Tablets;~~ A tablet comprising a pharmaceutical composition according to Claims 1 to 19; Claim 1 or 2.

21. (Currently Amended) Tablets; A tablet according to Claim 20, characterized in that they have wherein said tablet has a mass of between 50 and 1 000 mg, preferably between 100 and 600 mg.

22. (Currently Amended) Tablets; A tablet according to Claims 20 and 21, Claim 21, characterized in that they are wherein said tablet is provided in a leaktight packaging.

23. (Currently Amended) Tablets; A tablet according to Claim 22, characterized in that wherein the packaging leaktight to water vapour is composed of a tablet bottle made of polypropylene or of high-density polyethylene, of an aluminium sachet or, and preferably, or of an all-aluminium blister pack.

24. (Currently Amended) Process A process for the manufacture of a tablet according to one of Claims 20 to 23, Claim 20, said process comprising a stage of direct tableting of a powder mixture.

25. (Currently Amended) Process The process for the manufacture of a tablet according to Claim 24, characterized in that the wherein said tableting is preceded by a stage of dry granulation, for example by compacting.

26. (Currently Amended) Manufacturing The manufacturing process according to Claim 25, in-which wherein the active principle has a particle size, expressed by its mean diameter, of between 50 and 250 microns.

27. (Currently Amended) Manufacturing The manufacturing process according to Claim 25, in-which wherein the active principle has a mean particle size preferably of between 75 and 150 microns and more particularly in the region of 100 to 125 microns.

28. (Currently Amended) Manufacturing The manufacturing process according to Claims 24 to 27, in-which Claim 24, wherein the active principle has a bulk density of between 0.4 and 0.8, 0.8 and preferably between 0.5 and 0.7 and more preferably still in the region of 0.6.

29. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a composition according to Claims 1 to 19 or of a tablet according to Claims 20 to 23 as medicament intended for the preventive and/or curative treatment of~~ A method for treating a pathology selected from the group consisting of depression, Parkinson's disease and severe psychotic disorders, such as schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorders, said method comprising administering the pharmaceutical composition of Claim 1 to a patient in need thereof.

30. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of a composition according to Claims 1 to 19 or of a tablet according to Claims 20 to 23,~~ A method of treating a severe psychotic disorder, said

method comprising administering the pharmaceutical composition of Claim 1 to a patient in need thereof in combination with an atypical antipsychotic neuroleptic exhibiting a greater antagonist affinity for the dopamine D₂ receptor than is its antagonist affinity for the α_2 -adrenoreceptor, as ~~medicament for the preventive and/or curative treatment of severe psychotic disorders, such as schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorders.~~ α_2 -adrenoreceptor.

31. (Currently Amended) ~~Use according to Claim 30, characterized in that-~~ The method according to Claim 30, wherein the said atypical neuroleptic is chosen from olanzapine, quetiapine, risperidone, sertindole or ziprasidone.

32. (Currently Amended) ~~Polymeric~~ A polymeric form I of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises specific peaks at about 4,0200, 6,6400, 6,9000, 7,0800, 8,0800, 9,0000, 9,9600, 9,9600, 10,8400, 11,7200, 12,1400, 12,3800, 12,9800, 13,3000, 13,5200, 14,9000, 15,0600, 15,2400 and 21,4000 degrees θ .

33. (Currently Amended) ~~Polymeric~~ A polymeric form I of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises specific peaks at about 4,0200, 6,6400, 6,9000, 7,0800, 8,0800, 9,0000, 9,9600, 9,9600, 10,8400, 11,7200, 12,1400, 12,3800, 12,9800, 13,3000, 13,5200, 14,9000, 15,0600, 15,2400 and 21,4000 degrees θ and lacking at least one peak at about 4.0200, 6.6400, 6.9000, 7.0800, 8.0800, 9.0000, 9.9600, 9.9600, 10.8400, 11.7200, 12.1400, 12.3800, 12.9800, 13.3000, 13.5200, 14.9000, 15.0600, 15.2400 and 21.4000 degrees θ .

34. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form I of idazoxan wherein the differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 207.5 ± 0.2 .

35. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form II of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises the specific peaks at about 4.7400, 5.7200, 6.6800, 7.5000, 8.9200, 9.9600, 11.5200, 12.3000, 12.9400, 13.5400, 14.3000, 15.6800, 16.8600 and 18.9000 degrees θ .

36. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form II of idaxozan wherein the differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 203.0 ± 0.4 .

37. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form III of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises the specific peaks at about 4,0400, 4.7000, 5.7400, 6.6200, 6.9200, 7.4600, 8.0400, 8.7800, 8.9800, 9.9800, 10.8200, 11.4600, 11.6400, 12.3200, 12.9400, 13.5400, 14.2400, 15.0600, 15.6200 and 16.8400 degrees θ .

38. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form III of idazoxan wherein the differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 203.8 ± 0.5 .

39. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form IV of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises the specific peaks at about 4.8000, 5.9000, 6.8400, 7.3200, 8.0800, 8.6600, 9.4600, 9.6800, 11.1600, 11.4000, 11.9000, 12.2200, 12.6800, 13.8400, 14.4200, 14.9800 and 18.1000 degrees θ .

40. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form IV of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises the specific peaks at about 4.8000, 5.9000, 6.8400, 7.3200, 8.0800, 8.6600, 9.4600, 9.6800, 11.1600, 11.4000, 11.9000, 12.2200, 12.6800, 13.8400, 14.4200, 14.9800 and 18.1000 degrees θ and lacking at least one peak at about 6.6800, 13.5400, 15.6800, 16.8600 or 18.9000 degrees θ .

41. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form IV of idazoxan wherein the differential thermal analysis thermogram exhibiting a single maximum value at approximately 205.3 ± 0.5 .

42. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form V of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises the specific peaks at about 5.0400, 5.8400, 7.9400, 9.2800, 9.4400, 10.1200, 12.0200, 12.5600, 12.9200, 13.7400, 13.9400, 14.5200, 14.8200, 15.2800, 16.2800 and 16.7400 degrees θ .

43. (Currently Amended) Polymerie A polymeric form V of idazoxan wherein the X-Ray spectra comprises the specific peaks at about 5.0400, 5.8400, 7.9400, 9.2800, 9.4400, 10.1200, 12.0200, 12.5600, 12.9200, 13.7400, 13.9400, 14.5200, 14.8200, 15.2800, 16.2800 and 16.7400 degrees θ and lacking at least one peak at about 4.7400, 6.6800, 7.5000, 8.9200, 11.5200, 14.3000, 15.6800 or 18.9000 degrees θ .